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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Precis of Project BELADONA

1. a. Duration: Project April 1946 through (last document in file is dated 27 December 1946; however, there is no indication that the project really ended at this time).

b. Target: Intelligence program concerning the Soviet Union, Soviet activity in the satellites, and the Ukrainian Emigre Movement.

c. Code: Not listed.

d. Reports: There are few reports contained in this file. Presumably there was a greater output than indicated by this file's contents.

e. Summary: Activity in April 1946 SJJ made contact with Father Ivan Hrinchenko and Andriy Topolinsky, both leaders in the Ukrainian emigre resistance movement. Ultimately contact was established with other Ukrainian emigre groups. It was intended that we would furnish some minimum of support and moral backing of these groups in exchange for the intelligence which the groups stated that they could easily obtain as a by-product of their operations. It was claimed by the emigre groups that they had contact with groups in the USSR and that they could supply agents "open" or "pass" into Russia as needed. Activity on the part of the Ukrainians was admittedly not under our control and they considered themselves as collaborators, not agents. The majority of the contacts were made between our staff and one or two of the top people in these organizations - genetically the majority of the people involved in not members of the V.I.C. connections. There is no indication of any direct connection between the project, the last report indicates that the main organization involved was supplied out of both Austria and Germany. However, it appears to be Munich.

2. The following is a list of the personnel involved in the project:

Father IVAN ZEIGER

Father MIKHAEL

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